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request for EPA advance 404(c) action in Bristol Bay

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Yesterday the Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC) sent LPJ a letter following up on its August 2010 request that EPA use its 404(c) authority to protect sensitive headwater areas of the Bristol Bay from a large-scale copper/gold mine proposed by the Pebble Limited Partnership. The letter notes that adequate scientific and technical information exists to initiate a 404(c) review and urges EPA to do so now.

Interestingly, the letter also responds to a number of the issues raised in the letter EPA received from the Governor of Alaska which urged EPA to *not* initiate a 404(c) action at this time. According to BBNC, the arguments laid out by the Governor actually support BBNC's request for an advance 404(c).

Thanks, Palmer

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